Iowa Department of Natural Resources REAP City Parks and Open Space Grants – September 2017 (FY18)

Grant Purpose: The City Parks and Open Space account receives 15% of the REAP funds, after initial distributions are made as outlined in Chapter 33, for competitive grants to help cities establish natural areas, encouraging outdoor recreation and resource management. Three categories have been established to assure grants are distributed to all sizes of cities. Projects considered include development of parks, multi-purpose trails (emphasis on connecting existing trails), park shelters, lake or river shoreline restoration, fishing access, and habitat restoration.

Funding Source(s): Resource Enhancement And Protection Fund – City Park and Open Spaces

Grant Funding Available: \$2,123,105

Category	City Population	Funding Available
Small Cities	less than 2,000	\$480,667
Medium Cities	between 2,000 and 25,000	\$675,300
Large Cities	larger than 25,000	\$967,138

Selection Committee Members: As directed by Chapter 33, a review and selection committee consisting of five members (four non-DNR appointees and one DNR staff) scored the applications:

• City Representation

Michael Moran, retired, Iowa City Parks and Recreation Director Jennifer Cowsert, Elkader City Administrator Jennifer Davies, Slater Economic Development Director Jack Wardell, Carroll Parks and Recreation Director

• DNR Representation

Monica Thelen, Executive Officer 2, Wildlife Bureau

Summary of Selection Process: As directed by criteria under Chapter 33.40, the selection committee reviewed and scored all applications. Examples of criteria considered include the relationship to relevant regional and statewide programs based on comprehensive plans (i.e. SCORP, County Resource Enhancement Plan, or local, state and federal plans), quality of site for land acquisition projects, environmental benefits, public benefit, and local support.

Recommendation: The committee recommends funding the projects listed in the Project Allocation. In the event that any of the grantees are unable to execute their project, the Department requests authority to offer those funds to the next highest scored projects that meet the grant criteria or return the funds to the grant program for distribution in the next grant cycle.

ALLOCATION SUMMARY

CATETORY	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED	# OF PROJECTS SCORED	PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING
SMALL CITIES TOTALS	\$1,619,836	\$480,667	28	8
MEDIUM CITIES TOTALS	\$2,724,681	\$675,300	31	8

LARGE CITIES TOTALS	\$3,139,414	\$967,138	18	5
DISTRIBUTION	\$7,483,931	\$2,123,105	77	21
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PROJECT ALLOCATIONS

2017 (FY18) REAP City Parks Open Spaces - SMALL CITIES - Population under 2,000

Ranked by Score	City Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	Grant Amount Requested	Recommende d Award
120.6	Allison	Wilder Park Acquisition	This project will expand Wilder Park through the acquisition of 17.5- acres of land to be developed into public woodlands, prairie, and open space.	\$75,000	\$75,000
110.8	Tabor	Main Street Pocket Park	This project purchases 7800 square feet. This property is currently green space with no improvements. The city would preserve this area as a city park/open space and improve it to beautify main street. Management goals are to add a shelter, tables/benches and shade trees to brighten the downtown area, providing shade and shelter to make a welcoming place.	\$75,000	\$75,000
105.6	Dunkerton	Open Space Acquisition and Development	This project will fund, along with local funds, the acquisition of 5.44-acres of land to be dedicated public space. Within the area, the project calls for infiltration and drainage improvements, plantings, as well as the construction of a recreational trail.	\$50,000	\$50,000
99.8	Monona	City-Wide Butterfly Trail Ph. 2: Gateway Park to Butterfly Garden	Monona's Butterfly Trail from Gateway Park to the existing Butterfly Gardens/Trail, wraps around a regional school, adjacent to an award winning urban stormwater runoff project and Monona's Aquatic Center. It installs approx. 1.5 acres of high quality native prairie through partnership with the IA DOT and USFWS. Two kiosks advance environmental learning and provide maps and information about adjacent and nearby city, state and federal natural		
99.8	Laurens	Pocahontas County Trail Phase 1	recreational areas. This project acquires 2 miles (25.75) of discontinued railroad property extending from the city of Laurens west to 430 th Street. The acquisition is Phase 1 of the 2017 Pocahontas County Trail Master Plan designed to expand county and regional trail connectivity.	\$75,000 \$75,000	\$75,000 \$75,000
97	McCausland	McCausland Park & Educational Pavilion	This project aims to establish a park and educational pavilion in the City of McCausland, in order to enhance the bucolic lands alongside the Wapsi River, and protect the waterfront from degredation. Enhancement and protection measures include: • Clearing, developing, and preparing the land for restoration; • Installing an educational pavilion, trails, plantlife, and other park amenities; • and providing informational and educational context on nearby areas of environmental interest	\$22,817	\$22,817
95.4	Preston	Westside Park Expansion and Trail, Phase 1	The Westside Park Expansion and Trail Project entails acquiring approx. 1.5 acres of land adjacent to the Westside Park. Expansion of park amenities and development of a 715 foot, 10' wide trail as the first phase of connecting the south side neighborhoods and	\$75,000	\$75,000

			Westside Park to Copper Creek Trail and Twogood Park.		
94.8	Manning	Three-way Trail Connection	This project will pave approximately 700 feet of concrete trail. This is the final piece of trail to connect three trail segments – the Trestle Park Trail, the Hospital Connector Trail, and the City Park Trail. This provides an underpass under Hwy141.	\$50,000	\$32,850
92	Clarksville	Rolling Prairie Trailhead		\$75,000	-0-
91.6	Keota	Kewash Trailhead - Keota Phase 3 (Funding Line, if REAP were at \$20M)		\$75,000	-0-
91.4	Malvern	Boehner Pond Nature Trail	(Funding Line if REAP were funded at \$20M)	\$73,344	-0-
90.2	Dumont	Rolling Prairie Trail		\$50,000	-0-
87.6	Sibley	Comm. Trail Extension & Ed Winkle Regional Connection		\$75,000	-0-
87.4	Bristow	Rolling Prairie Trail		\$40,400	-0-
84.8	Underwood	Underwood Trail - Railroad Highway Project		\$50,000	-0-
84.6	Prairieburg	Baker Community Park Reconstruction		\$50,000	-0-
84.2	Eldon	Trail Extension thru Wapello Co. Fairgrounds		\$49,520	-0-
83.2	Keosauqua	Sunset Trail		\$75,000	-0-
81	Earling	Shimeroski Park Trail Improvements		\$50,000	-0-
80.8	Neola	Park Trail Improvements		\$50,000	-0-
80.2	Garber	Garber City Campground		\$50,000	-0-
78.8	Auburn	Grant Park Trailhead		\$50,000	-0-
77.6	Stuart	City Greenspace Improvements		\$66,105	-0-
73	Scranton	Scranton School Memorial Park Shelter House		\$50,000	-()-
72.6	Anthon	Walking and Biking Trails Improvement Project		\$50,000	-0-
72.6	Wall Lake	City Park Restroom Remodel		\$42,650	-0-
70.6	Arcadia	Shelter House Renovation		\$50,000	-0-
68.8	Vail	City Shelter House/City Park		\$50,000	-0-
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2017 (FY18) REAP City Parks Open Spaces - MEDIUM CITIES - Population between 2,000 and 25,000

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92.2		Competine Trail	(Funding Line if REAP were funded at \$20M)	\$100,000	-0-
		Phase 2 (Funding			
		line, if REAP were			
	Knoxville	funded at \$20M)			
92		Felderman Park		\$75,000	-0-
	Bellevue	Phase 3			
91.8		Glenwood City Trail		\$100,000	-0-
		and Trailhead - Phase			
	Glenwood	1			
91.2		Meyers Lake		\$70,758	-0-
		Shoreline			
		Rehabilitation, Phase			
	Evansdale	2			
91		Bondurant-Altoona		\$100,000	-0-
		Trail Connection			
	Bondurant	Underpass			
90.2		Connecting Fort		\$125,000	-0-
		Madison! Phase 3		, , , , , ,	
		Hospital (FMCH)			
	Fort Madison	Connector			
89.8	1 011 1114410011	Home Pond Trail		\$67,000	-0-
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88.6	Lamon	Lakeside Park and		\$75,000	-0-
00.0	Emmetsburg	Campground		Ψ75,000	-0-
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	Independence	Liberty Trail Iowa River Trail -			
87.4	ELL			\$75,000	-0-
0.2	Eldora	Eldora Extension		ф1 27 000	
83		Veteran's Park to		\$125,000	-0-
	Carroll	30th Street Trail			
83		Sheldon Crossing		\$80,673	-0-
	Sheldon	Trail			
82.2		Chautauqua Park		\$75,000	-0-
	Sac City	Trail			
82		Wolf Creek Rehab. &		\$75,000	-0-
		Park Development			
	La Porte City	Combined Ph. 2 & 3			
81.4	Sergeant	Loess Hills Scenic		\$75,000	-0-
	Bluff	Trail Project			
81.2		Cloie Creek Park		\$63,000	-0-
	Asbury	Trail Phase 2			
80.8		Daubendiek Trail		\$75,000	-0-
	Jefferson	Project			
80.6	Kalona	City Park Trail Loop		\$75,000	-0-
78.8		G.A.R.T. (Grinnell		\$100,000	-0-
		Area Recreation			
		Trail) South			
	Grinnell	Extension			
78		Trail along Illion		\$75,000	-0-
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2017 (FY18) REAP City Parks Open Spaces - LARGE CITIES - Population larger than 25,000

Ranked by Score	City Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	Grant Amount Requested	Recommende d Award
		Forest Grove Park Phase II Forest Area	As part of the overall development of the site, this project includes continued restoration of dense forested land within the park focusing on the original 10-acre area and an expanded 15-acre area. Restoration includes continued removal of old fencing and discarded items, old vehicles,		
115.8	Bettendorf	Restoration	invasive plants, hazardous, downed or invasive trees, and	\$150,000	\$150,000

	1	T	continued atabilization of accessive			
			continued stabilization of areas with severe erosion and additional planting of native savanna seed mix in open			
			areas. Environmental enhancement activities for Hickory Hill			
		III da anni III Da ala	Park include: clearing of invasive species, removal of			
		Hickory Hill Park Ecological Forest,	select diseased trees, pruning of the tree canopy in select			
110 ==		Habitat & Stream	areas, stream bank stabilization and restoration of prairie	Φ200 000		ΦΦΩΩ ΩΩΩ
110.75	Iowa City	Bank Restor.	areas. The City scale funding to implement Phase 2 of the	\$200,000		\$200,000
			The City seeks funding to implement Phase 2 of the Eagle Point Park Environmental Restoration			
			Management Plan. Implementation will improve			
			sustainability by restoring and enhancing native plant			
			communities and soil quality to provide new nature-based			
			recreation opportunities for visitors, create habitat for wildlife, and foster sustainability. Phase 1			
			implementation actions are occurring with City, State and			
		Phase 2: Eagle Point Park	Federal monies. Phase 2 will enhance 33 acres of existing			
		Enviro. Restor.	forest/woodland areas, representing 20% of the 164-acre			
109	Dubuque	Mgmt Plan	community/regional park.	\$200,000		\$200,000
			The project seeks to restore the understory of trees, along with large native trees and other plants within a portion of			
			River's Edge Park. Mulberry, Silver Maple and			
		D: 1 E:	weakened Cottonwood are the largest threats to this parks			
		River's Edge Park Riparian	woodland longevity. Restoration efforts will contribute			
		Woodland	enormous environmental benefits, in terms of riverbank			
104	Council Bluffs	Restoration Phase 1	stabilization, improved wildlife habitat, better access to the river for fishing, and significant pollinator plots.	\$164,970		\$164,970
104	Council Dians	Thuse I	The proposed improvements include a mixture of development	Ψ10-1,570		Ψ10-1,570
			projects and natural resources improvements. The development			
			components include a 2/3 mile, 8' wide multi-use trail system, two open air shelters, and ADA accessible fishing pier, and			
			three interpretive sign panels. The natural resource			
			improvements include two pond aerators, 2.65 acres of			
		Witmer Park Masterplan	prairie/savanna restoration, 0.63 acres of shoreline restoration, and 0.37 acres of timber stand improvements and invasive			
102.2	Des Moines	Update	species removal.	\$300,000		\$252,168
		Bever Park Ecological			-0-	
101.2	Cedar Rapids	Restoration Plan		\$78,400		
		High Line Trail - Union Pacific			-0-	
		Railroad				
99.2	Mason City	Acquisition		\$150,000		
		North Prairie Lake Shoreline			-0-	
97.4	Cedar Falls	Improvements		\$88,000		
		Lizard Creek Access			-0-	
97	Fort Dodge	Improvements	(Funding Line if REAP were funded at \$20M)	\$50,000		
05.2	A	NE Delaware Trail		¢200,000	-0-	
95.2	Ankeny	Connection Project Walnut Creek		\$200,000	-0-	
0		Trail - 156th to				
94.6	Urbandale	Waterford Road Sugar Creek		\$150,000	-0-	
	West Des	Greenway Trail			-0-	
94.6	Moines	Phase 1		\$200,000	0	
90	Burlington	North Gorge Trail Expansion		\$148,625	-0-	
		Veteran's			-0-	
89.6	Davenport	Memorial Park - River Overlook		\$300,000		
	port	Iowa River Trail		+200,000	-0-	
		Phase 3 – extend trail to Radio				
87.4	Marshalltown	Tower Road		\$150,000		

		Big Sioux River to		-0-
		Hwy 12 Trail		
87	Sioux City	Project	\$270,322	
		Lowe Park South		-0-
84.4	Marion	End Development	\$150,000	
		Castle Bluffs Park		-0-
		Development and		
84.4	Waterloo	Trailhead	\$189,097	
LARGE	LARGE CITIES TOTAL			\$967,138

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